









# Thomas A Edison Jr. Sr. High School 3304 Parkside Avenue Lake Station, IN 46405

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#### TALL-NEW COLLECTOR'S ITEM ISSUE

## With great power.

What makes a hero? Is it the ability to fly, to turn invisible, to shoot lasers out of one's eyes, or to change into a hulking powerhouse? Most people at Edison can tell you that my favorite comic book hero is Spider Man. However, most could not say why he is my hero.

A here is more than a super powered being. Here is not just fictional beings. A here is someone who, no matter what the odds, will do what is necessary to do what is needed no matter how afraid he or she may be. A here can be a friend, a teacher, a parent, a police officer, a firefighter, or any number of people.

What many of you may not realize is that within each of us is a hero. We each have the potential to become something greater. All we have to do is reach deep within ourselves, find that potential, and bring it out. Sometimes we do not even realize that to someone else we already are a hero.

So as you flip through these pages and relive various moments from the 2009 school year, reflect on how you have grown and made another step towards your true potential. We each have a responsibility to find our potential and use it not only for ourselves, but also for the greater good of our planet.

So why do I love Spider Man so much? The reason is that unlike many other superheroes, he is a hero with the problems of most people. He struggles with money, relationships, self doubt, and various other hurdles; yet, every time one would think he has been finally beaten down, Spider Man reaches deep within and steps up to do what is right And just like him, we each need to do the same

As Stan Lee famously wrote -

"With great power, there must also come great responsibility!

Eluides Pagan, MEd

PART ONE OF FIVE

Mr. Pagan's family makes him



"My hero is my father because of his strong character and because he has always put his family first." Mr. Wisniewski, teacher

"My hero is Uncle Donny. He is in the army and is in charge of 86 soldiers. He has gone to Iraq to fight for this countr. 7thand what he believes is right...which makes him my hero." Cheyenne Hutchison, 7th

"I look up to my brothers because they have been there for me when I needed them." William Sabo, 8th

"I consider my dad my hero. He teaches me all the important stuff in life, and he is as goofy as me." Sharon Stacy, 9th

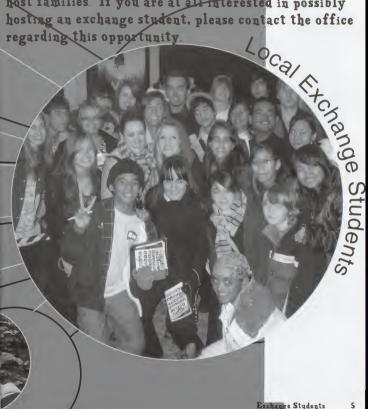
"The person in my life I consider to be my hero is my father. Although he was very sick before he died, h wouldn't give up. He always stuck out whatever he was doing till the end." Chelsea Oldham, 10th

My hero is my uncle who went to Iraq for three years and went through a lot of pain." Charles Shultz, 11th

"My dad is my hero cause he has always been there for me no matter what." Josh Hennings, 12th



Over the past few years, Edison has had the priviledge of hosting many exchange students from Asia and the Middle East. It has been a great experience for the exchange students, the school community, and for the host families. If you are at all interested in possibly hosting an exchange student, please contact the office regarding this opportunity.



### Administrators



Bruce Bush Principal



Chuck LoCascio
Dean of Students
Administration, Faculty, and Staff



Nadine Brown Assistant Principal



Terry Milner Athletics Director



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KAREN REYNOLDS MICHELLE RIPPERDAN SANDRA SCHENHER PAM SHAFFNER BUTCH SHIPLOV











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JOANNA THOMPSON JANE VAN HATTEN TANYA VANNI JAMES WASMUNDT JEFF WISNIEWSKI











JASON WOLFE





Left? Ms Brailey shares a poem with the class Below? Mrs. Meyers participates in the teachers versus students bowling match









Aboves Mrs. Georgion not only teaches art, but she also acts as sponsor for the hardworking student conneil which has been very successful under her direction

Left: Mrs Sykes enjoys the chance to watch a little basketball

Center? Ms Price enjoys her birthday cake given to her by Amanda Monacy Above: Mr McCormick loves to support his

seniors in any way that he can

ABILA, RACHEL ACKER, CAITLIN AGUAYO, NATALIE ALANIZ, JASON ARMES, STEVEN

ARTEAGA, CIARRA ARTEMIS, EVANGELOS AUSTIN, LINDSAY BELLAMY, DANIELLE BERNAL, NALLELY



BROOK, TERRANCE BURT, GRACIE CABELLO, SELENA CAMARILLO, DIEGO CHAVEZ, ANGELICA

CHAVEZ, CHRISTOPHER COOPER, DIAMOND CORRAL, JONATHAN CRUZ, EPIFANIO CURRY, REBEKKAH

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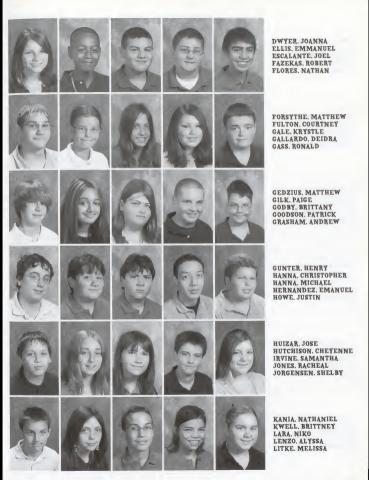












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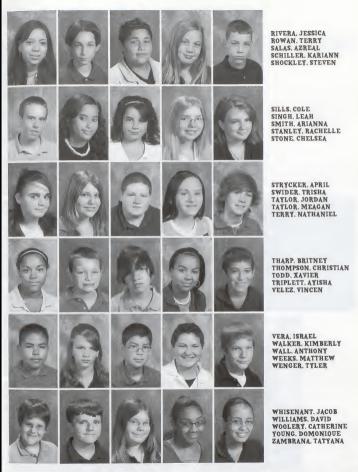


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PETHES. LAURA
PHILLIPPE, HARRY
POMALES. MATTHEW
QUINONES. MYLANO
RAMIREZ, MARIANNA

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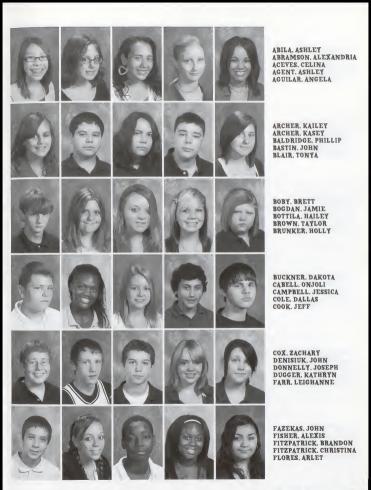








Seventh Grade



GARCIA. ANDRES GARCIA. ANGELIQUE GILL. ASHLEY GOOCH. CODY GUERRA, DAVID

HARGETT, PADRAIG HARRISON, KEGAN HARROLD, LEANNE HAYMON, AKIECEA HECKER, MARY

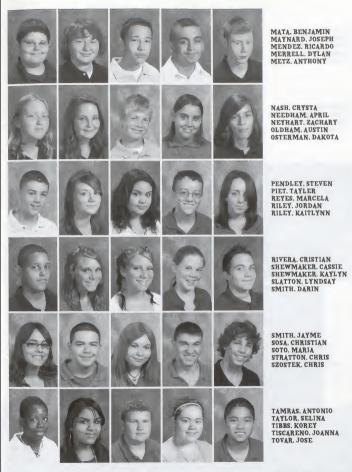
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KNIEFEL, MELISSA LAMBERT, DAKOTA LAVIOLETTE, MATTHEW LEA, CASEY LOPEZ, ALFREDO

LOPEZ, VALENTIN LUNA, RACHEL MAJKA, BRANDON MANDICH, MARA MARTINEZ, CARLOS





TRAJCESKI, NIKOLA VAZQUEZ, CIRELIZ WADDELL, CANDICE WARREN, PHILIP WELLS, ROBERT



















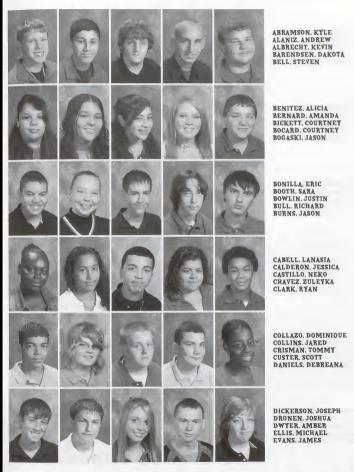












FARLEY. ANTHONY FISHER. DAVID FITZPATRICK. JACINDA FRAIN. ELISSA FRANCHVILLE. ANTHONY











FREEMAN, JAIME FREEMAN, JASMINE GALES, ANDREW GUTZMER, JESSICA HANDLEY, JUSTIN











HEGWOOD, DOUGLAS HERNANDEZ, NICHOLAUS HOPE, KATIE JOHNSON, MARNI JONES, SHELBY











KADO, DANIEL KETCHEM, JESSE KOBY, FELICIA KOLEP, DAVID LACHOWICZ, VICTORIA











LAVIOLETTE, NICHOLAS LEMLEY, KELSEY MAFFEI, SAMANTHA MARION, SANDRA MARTINEZ, LUCIO











MARTINEZ, XENIA MATHEWS, JESSICA MEHMOOD, AZAZ MILLER, CASSANDRA MOYET, ALEX

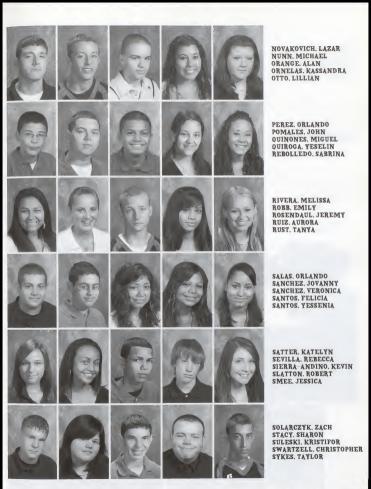












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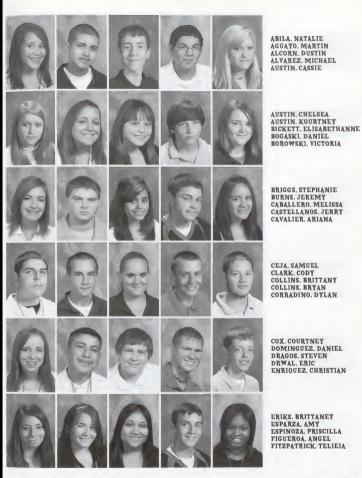








22 Freshmen



FLORES, DEAN FRIZZELL, NICOLE GRIFFIN, ANTHONY GUZMAN, CHRISTINA HAMMONS, CHRISTOPHER





JARAMILLO, LETICIA JIMENEZ, BIANCA JIMENEZ, SUZANNA JOHNSON, BRIANNA JOHNSTON, ZAKERY

JORGENSEN, BRANDON KAWZINSKI, MICHELLE KELLAMS, NICHOLAS KOLEP, JOHN LIEBIG, JORDAN

LINDE, CODY LOCKHART, CAROL LYKE, SIMONE MACHEK. ASHLEY MARTIR, JESSICA





















































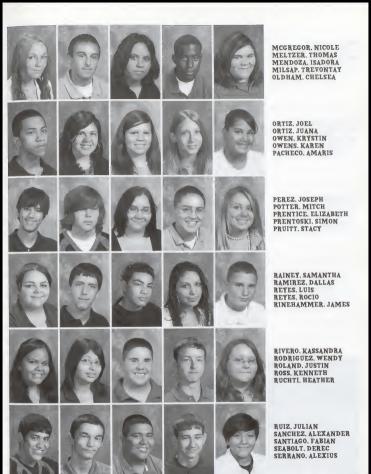












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STEELE, KIRK STOWERS, CODY SWIDER, TRISTAN TAYLOR, JAKE TENORIO, MEGAN

VEENSTRA, CARRIE VERA, NOE WALKER, ANTHONY WALKER, EDNA WARREN, JOHN

WILLIAMS, CRAIG WILLIAMSON, CHRIS YATES, SAGE



































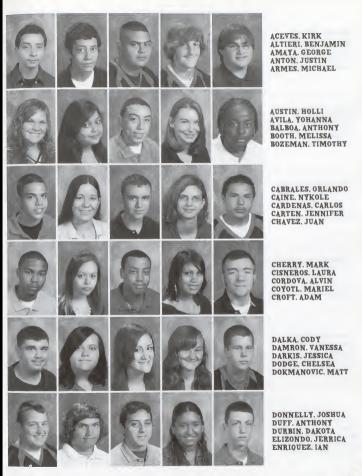












ESSLINGER, ROBERT FALKOWSKI, KIRSTEN FAZEKAS, MARY FRAUSTO, OMAR FRAUSTO, MARGARITA











FREEL. MELISSA GANZ, ASHLEY GARBER, TAMBERLYNN GASKIN, MITCHEL GAUGHAN, EMILY











GRASHAM, WILLIAM GUTIERREZ, MIGUEL HALIK, NICOLE HAMILTON, ERIK HAMMONS, JACK











HANDLEY, NATHAN HEGGER, MATTHEW HEGWOOD, JESSICA HERALD, STEPHANIE HERNADEZ, CHRISTIAN











HICKS, ANDREW HOPE, MILTON HOWELL, TYLER HUIZAR, ERNESTO JIMENEZ, SELENA











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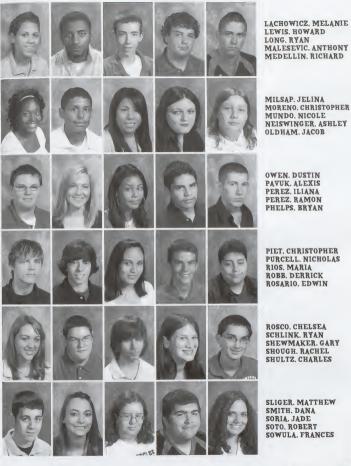












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TRUSTY, JOHNATHON VANDIVER, MATTHEW VAUGHN, BRITTANY VERA. MARIA WATSON, LINDSEY











WATTS, DEREK WHITE, JESSICA ZELLERS, RONALD























## TOP



Alyssa Gilbert



Nolan Dodge



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Jamie Krill



Suzie Miller



Valedictorian Michael Sickles



Amber Frain



Melissa Mora





James Alger



Beth Muhlbaier



Superhero and Sidekick: Kyle Eaton, Violet Sluder, Briana Vezeau, And Jesse Pacheco



Most Dependable: Kayla Stewart and Alex Suleski



Most likely to be on Jerry Springer: Barbara Hooker and David Recio



Biggest Rebel: Gabriella Santos and Marc Miodragovich

## VEREIGNTY



Funniest Laugh: Alberto Padro and Julie Cervantes



Most likely to be found in the halls: Jamal Azar and Salena Aguilar



Biggest Flirt: Amanda Monacy and Josh Hennings



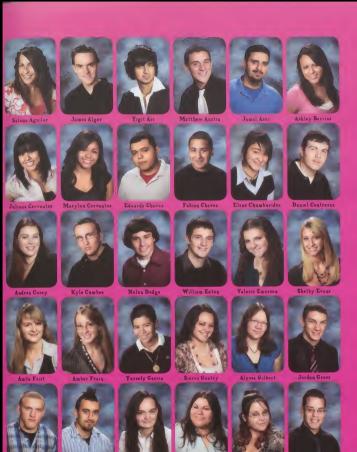
Most likely to be a Villian: Daniel Contreraz and Beth Muhlbaier



Most Likely to be a Superhero: Melissa Mora, Jesse Pacheco, and Shelby Evans



Biggest Jokers: Kyle Eaton an Violet Sluder



**CLASS OF 2009** 

Joshua Hennings Brittany Herald Andrea Herrora

Aaron Hammons

Jacob Hoover

Barbara Hooker





Matthew Kellams





Cecily Kerr









Nichole Kurzydlo















































Jorge Rivera





Joe Rizie





Gabriella Santo























































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### Dimples and Diapers (Heroes in Training)





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Briana Vezeau



































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## MIDNIGHT MASQUERADE





KING & QUEEN Nolan Dodge helby Evans





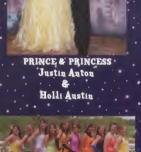






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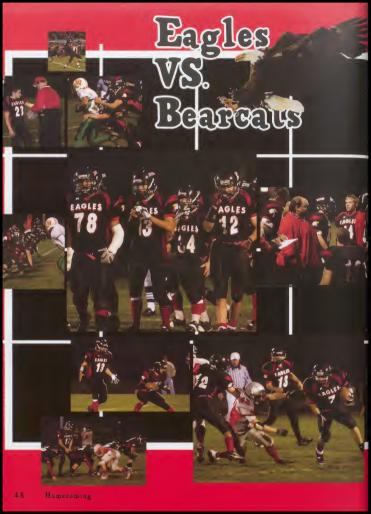












# Congretuletions



Class Motto

"Stion letting lifte happen and start making lifte happen

Class Colors Pank and Black

Class Flower Amaryllss

#### THE EDISON CHEERLEADERS



First Row: Angela Aguilar, Cassie Shewmaker, Leah Singh Second Row: Rachel Luna, Angelee Luick, Trisha Swider, Andrea Zepeda Third Row: Krystal Gale, Cierra Artega, Deidra Gallardo, Brittney Tharp, Jessica Perez, Rachelle Furlong



First Row: Christina Trinidad, Christina Guzman, Kelsey Lemley, Maria Verduzco, Natalie Abila Second Row: Amber Frain, Heather Miller Third Row: Christina Wilson, Bianca Jiminez, Amaris Pacheco, Nicole Halik, Sara Booth, Megan Tenorio, Holli Austin



Left: Christina Wilson flying high at an Edison football game!

Below: The Edison High School Cheerleaders standing proud for the National Anthem



Left**:** Le

Left: Leah Singh performs terrifically during the homecoming pep rally.

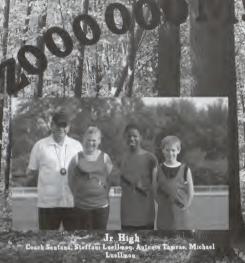


Above: Cassie Shewmaker and Rachel Luna enjoying the pep rally.



Above: During the summer, cheerleaders worked with a personal trainer in order to prepare new choreography.

Left? Jr. High Cheerleaders performing and pumping up the crowd.





First Row: Suzze Miller, Mary Lou Cervantes, Jerrica Elizondo

Alexes Pavak ocend Row: Mrs-Elizendo, Lucio Mertinez, Chelsen Dodge, Notas Dodge, Kristen Falkowsko, Derrick Roth



Moian Dodge streiches out before the race in order to prevent cramps

MaryLou Cervantes

Suzte Miller

Lucio Martinez

Cross Country

Pirst Row: Mylano Quinones, Vincent Velez, Nathan Flores, Kquerie Johnson, John Bastin

Second Rows Coach Williams, Chris Szostek, Robert Fazekas, David Guerra, Terry Brook, Coach Frizzell

Third Row: Matthew Pomales, Tyler Ramirez, Chris Chavez, Jordan Riley, Ronnie Gass

Pourth Rows Philip Warren, Dakota Buckner, Christian Sosa, Epifanio Cruz

Fifth Row: Nathan
Dodge, Joe
Maynard, Dylon
Hoopingarner, Carlos
Luna, Joe Donnelly



Aboves Vincent Velez is jetting down the field, crossing the opponents, and making it look easy.







The team huddles together to work out a dynamic play.

Left\* It is going to take more than four defenders to take down the fighting Eagles!



Nathan Flores makes are for the endzone.



### High School



First Row: Yigit Ari, Joe Rixie, Jordan Greer, Aaron Hammons, Joshua Hennings, Kristopher Klimek, Jesus Pacheco Second Row: Tyler Howell, George Amaya, Robert Soto, Justin Anton, Joshua Donnelly, Richard Medellin Third Row: Jin Rus, Jason Hisick, Angel Figueroa, Jerry Castellanos, Michael Nunn Fourth Row: Michael Sickles, Dominique Collazo, Jeremy Rosendaul, Michael Ellis, Justin Handley, Taylor Sykes



Above: Michael Nunn heads out to the field





Left: Preparing to warm up during the opening game

Above: The Edison Eagles had a difficult season and scored few points during the season.

Left: Richard Medellin anxiously waits to enter the field



7th Grade

First Rows Caitlin Acker, Rachel Abila, Alyssa Lenzo, Gracie Burt, Joanna Dwyer, Kariann Schiller Second Row: Coach Norkus, Manager Brittany Godby, Marianna Ramirez, Karina Regalado, Lindsay Austin, Nallely Bernal, Shelby

Jorgensen, Coach Verbish





8th Grade

First Row: Mara Mandich, Leanne Harrold, Ashley Abila, Kaylyn Shewmaker, Alexis Fisher Second Row: Coach Schmelzer, Maria Soto, Kathryn Dugger, Ali

Abramson, Tonya Blair, Holly Brunker, Candice Waddell, Manager Brittany Godby

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Joanna Dwyer and Shelby Jorgensen give each other a high five after scoring.





Kariann Schiller sets the ball up for a spike!

### beat 'em bust 'em that's our custom

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First Row: Nicole Frizzell, Amber Dwver, Christinia Guzman, Brittanev Eriks

Second Row: Jessica Mathews, Jessica Smee, Kelsey Lemley, Courtney Cox

Third Row: Coach Angela Litell, Stacy Pruitt, Jessica Martir,

Megan Tenorio

Below: Kelsey Lemley gets ready to hit the ball into her opponent



Below: Nicole Frizzell, one of the top servers, goes up for another ACE



Below: Courtney Cox gets in ready position to pass the ball to her



Below: Jessica Martir. Christina Guzeman and Courtney Cox lead their team to slap their opponents hands





Above: Salena Aguilar passes the ball behind her for the perfect



Above: Joanna Smee prepares to serve the



Above: Nicole Soto, Briana Vezeau, Stacy Pruitt and Salena Aguilar run out pumped up as the rest of the team follows behind them



Above: Nicole Halik prepares to bump the ball for the perfect

## Pump It Up!

V A R S I T Y



Starting with black shirt clockwise<sup>8</sup> Amanda Monacy, Vanessa Marquez, Salena Aguilar, Joanna Smee, Gabriella Santos, Stephanie Pepoff, Nicole Soto, Briana Vezeau, Nicole Halik, Tamberlynn Garber, Nicole Frizzell, Chelsea Rosco, Stacy Pruitt







Right: Derrick Robb, a member of the tennis team for three years, strives to never let anything past him even if it means diving for it!





First Rows Joe Dickerson, Jake Taylor, Dustin Alcorn Second Rows Derrick Robb, Anthony Malesevic, Mike Alvares, Dean Flores, Coach Malooga

nothing in Tennis..







First Row: Wendy
Rodriguez. Amber Dwyer.
Sarah Hodge. Kelsey
Lemley. Bianca Jimenez
Second Row: Coach Hite.
Chelsea Dodge. Keri
Ingram. Rachel St Myers.
Frances Sowula. Ann
Erhart. Dorie Starkey.
Nicole Knight. Coach
Dickerson



Deidra Gallardo, Karianne Schiller, Jessica Rivera, Lindsay Austin, Megan Taylor, and Joanna Dwyer Caitlyn Acker, Marianna Ramirez, Shelby Jorgensen, Ayisha Triplett, Britney Tharp, and Coach Lemley



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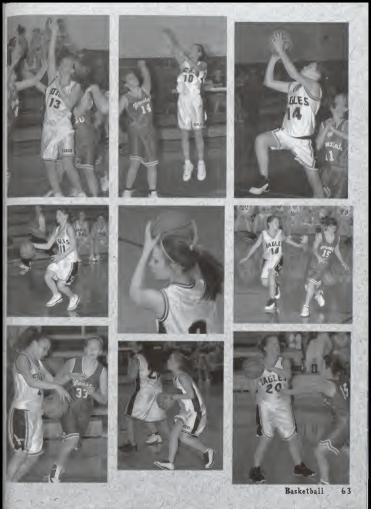
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Candico Waddell

Mara Mandich, Selina Taylor, Ali Abramson, Tonya Blair,

Basketball

and Coach Johnson





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Front Rows Joey Gregory, Diego Camarillo, Nathan Flores, Carlos Luna Back Rows Johnathan Corral, Niko Lara, Matt Forsythe, Robert Fazekas, Tyler Ramirez, Coach Lemely



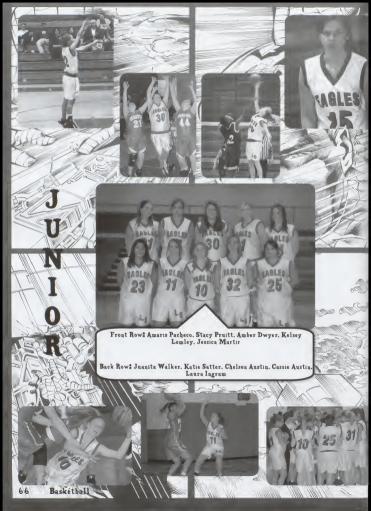
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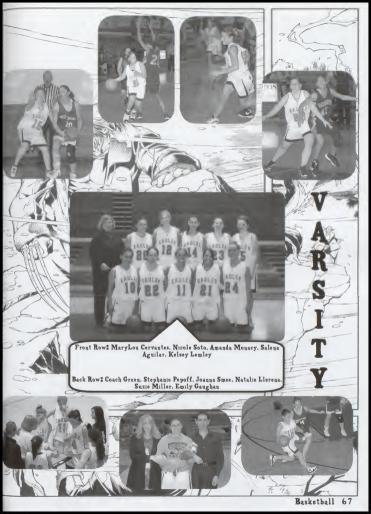




Front Rows Antonio Tamras, Alfredo Lopez, Ricardo Mendez, John Fazekas, Chris Szostek

Back Rows Christian Sosa, Joe Donnelly, Cody Gooch, John Bastin, Dakota Buckner







First Rows Daniel Kado, Coach Hursell, Coach Clouse, Joseph Dickerson

Second Rows Taylor Sykes, Michael Ellis, Michael Nuon, Kevin Sierra Andino

### Junior Varsity



First Rows Jerry Castellanos, Michael Nunn, Coach Hursel Coach Clouse, Kristifor Suleski, Kevin Sierra Andino Second Rows Christian Enriquez, Anthony Griffith, Kyle Abramson, Kenny Ross, Daniel Sogaski



Fist Row: Dean Flores. Alex Suleski, Coach Hursell, Coach Clouse. Aaron Todd, Tim Bozman Second Row: Anthony Balboa, Richard Medellin, Michael Sickles, Ian Enriquez, Carlos Cardenas. Hector Sierra, David Recio Varsity

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Above: Dean Flores steals the





Aboves Ian Enriquez goes up for a

Above: Ian Enriquez goes up for a lay up.



Above, Anthony Balboa struts his stuff while taking the ball to the hoop

Above: Hector Sierra strives

to steal the ball.





Above: Anthony Griffith soars above his opponent to score his team some points.



Above: Kristofor Suleski prepares to pass the ball.



Above: Tim Bozeman tries to avoid getting stuffed.

Basketball







Conference Champs

Edison High School Girls'
Bowling Team

Won Duneland Conference

#### Record 11-1

Sectionals Lost to Griffith by 4 points, but still classified to go to regionals.

Singles in Sectional Top eight girls qualified Edison placed 4 of the 83 Stephanie Briggs 1st Megan Tenorio 4th Andrea Corey 6th Victoria Borowski 8th

Megan Tenorio advanced to Semi-State in South Bend

Post Tribune ranked Edison Girls 3rd all year, even though coming from a small school.



First Row? Dorie Starkey, Felicia Koby
Second Row? Stephanie Briggs. Megau Tenorio. Victoria Borowski, Jessica Darkii
Samantha Maffei. Nicole Kuight
Third Row? Alvin Mendez. Cody Stowers, Andrea Corey, Billy Grasham. Rober
Sappington, Michael Alvarez





# Dance Team!!



GREAT year. They went to their first dance camp over the summer and learned quite a lot of different techniques for their routines. Marylou Cervantes, the only senior on the team, and Jerrica Elizondo choreographed all the routines for the Edison dance team - The 2 Stepperz. They did an outstanding job. They entered their first comnetition - THE CHICAGO BULLS

The Edison dance team had a dance team competitio. The team did an awesome job at the competition and received first place. The 2 Stepperz used that same routine for the second competition in LaPorte and again received 1st place in the competition Overall, the 2 Stepperz, did an outstanding job. Edison High School should be very proud of the dance team

Left: Senior Mary Lou Cervantes is a fouding member of Edison's dance team. the 2 Stepperz, which began in 2006

Below: Mary Lou Cervantes, Jerrica Elizondo, Laura Cisneros, Kristen Falkowski, Juana Ortiz, Veronica Sanchez, Noe Vera



Above: Noe and Juana dancing at the basketball homecoming pep rally







Above: Miguel and Noe have been with the dance team since they started out 3 Left: The dancers are having so much fun



Above: Sponsor and coach, Mrs Elizondo poses with the trophies won at various competitions

# Junior High



First Rows Justin Donnelly, Azreal Salas, Vincent Vales, Carson Armes, Nathan Terry, Nathan Dodge, Keith Durbin

Second Row? Coach Ray Stone, Zach Neyhart, Epifanio Cruz, Mylano Quinones, Christian Mourning, Jeremy Nazimek, Harry Phillipe, Coach Paul Stone, Coach Terry Kolopanis

# Varsity



First Row: Angel Figueroa, Nolan Dodge, Jack Hammons, Aaron Hammons, Chris Wall, Solayman Maso, Charles Schultz, Matt Vandiver

Second Rows Mary Fazekas, Coach Dan Mora, Bryan Phelps, Julian Ruiz, Alex Moyet, Josh Donnelly, George Amaya, Jason Hisik, Coach Chuck LoCascio, Nykole Caine R

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Right When other teams face the eagles, they better be prepared to be tossed around!



Above: Nathan Dodge takes his time sizing up his opponent.



Belows Using all of the techniques he has learned. Nathan Terry narrowly avoids a pin



Left: Mylano Quinones has the advantage and he's on his way to a win.





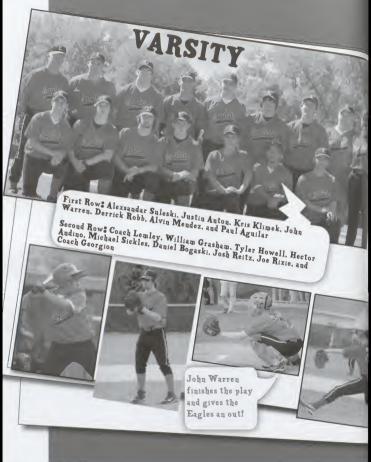
Above: Jack Hammons moved so fast that his opponent didn't even have time to get out of his starting position!



Below: With all of his hard work at practice, Charles Schultz was prepared for his match



Left**: A**aron Hammons likes to ends his matches quickly, usually with a win







Second Rows Coach Stowers, Alex Moyet, Cody Stowers, Lazar Novakovich, Daniel Kado, Orlando Salas, Coach Hicks



Stacy Pruitt catches the ball and quickly throws to third



Amaris Pacheco follows the signal to steal.



Cassie Austin, Amaris Pacheco and Chelsea Austin are doing the "Eagle Call" from the outfield

Junior Varsity



Sophomore Chelsea Austin throws the ball to the plate for the second out.



First Rows Aurora Ruiz, Jaime Freeman, Megan Tenorio, Stacy Pruitt, Amaris Pacheco, Christina Guzman Second Rows Coach Finchum, Xenia Martinez, Britney Reyes, Juanita Walker, Jessica Martir, Ashley Machek, Chelsea Austin, Coach Bob



First baseman Megan Tenorio catches the ball for an out.



Ashley Machek prepares to hit the ball to the outfield



Cassie Austin throws the ball into the infield.



The varsity team has a prep talk before the big game.



Senior Melissa Mora gets another run in for the Eagles' winning game.



Pitcher Nikki Frizzell getting ready to throw another strike



First Rows Christinia Guzman, Melissa Mora, Stacy Pruitt, Nikki Frizzell, Chelsea Austin, Megan Tenorio Second Rows Coach Mora, Coach Manta, Nykole Caine, Amy Esparza, Mary Fazekas. Emily Gauphan, Cassie Austin, Amaris Pacheco, Coach Biggs



Third baseman Amy Esparza warms her arm up before the game.



Mary Fazekas saves another ball from traveling past her.



Emily Gaughan hustles to steal second base.



Coach Mora teaching batting techniques to the Varisty team.

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## Jr. High

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Patth Rows Coach Williams, Pedro Loza, Kody Lemley, Mylano Quizones, Nathan Dodge, Joseph Donnelly, and Coach Havrilla

















Andrew Gales, George Amaya, Josh Donnelly, and Christian Enriquez Not pictured: Coach Green and Derek Watts

# Eagles Land a HOLEINONE

#### SUPER CLUBS!

Academic Super Bowl



First Rows Ashley Neiswinger, Carrie Veenstra, Dorie Starkey, Amanda Monaey, Melissa Mora Second Rows Nolan Dodge, Nykole Caine; Dakota Durbin, Tyline Handley, Nicole Knight Third Rows Andrea Corey, George Amaya, Michael Sickles, Erin McColley, Nathyn Handley Wheel Chairs Frances Sowula



Academic Spell Bowl

First Rows Ashley Neswinger, Carrie Veenstra, Tyline Handley, Nykole Caine, and Dorie Starkey Second? Nolan Dodge, Andrea Corey, Erin McColley, Nathan Handley, Dakota Durbin, Nicole Knight

#### Booster Club



First Rows Elene Chumburidze, Jessica Martir, Leah Singh, Nicole McGregor, Austin Oldham, Alyssa Rodriguez, Carrie Venstra

Second Rows Stacy Pruitt, Heather Ruchti, Christina Fitzpatrick, Aliesha Perez, Carol Lockhart,

Katie Hope, Stephanie Herald, Michael Ziemkiewicz

Third Rows Jasmine Freeman. Milton Hope, Lauren Vandiver, Bryan Collins, Keri Ingram, Steven Dragos, Ashley Barrios, Mariah Hurley

Fourth Rows Telieia Fitzpatrick, Vanessa Marquez, Brandon Jorgenson, Jesse Ketchem, Elissa Frain, Alexius Serrano, Jacinda Pitzpatrick, Kori Williamson

#### DECA



First Row\$ Frances Sowula, Christina Trinidad, Dorie Starkey, Mary Fazekas, Chelsea Rosco, Nykole Caine, Violet Sluder, Christina Wilson Second Row\$ Derrick Robl, Alex Suleski, Shelby Evans, Suzie Miller, Amber Frain, Nicole Halik,

Andrea Corey, Stephanie Pepoff

Third Row? Emilio Flores, Justin Anton, Nathan Handley, Jordan Greer, Anthony Malesevic, Richard McKenzie, Bryan Phelps, Tyler Howell, David Recio

# Enviromental Science

First Row? Ashley Neiswinger. Megan Tenorio, Christina Trinidad, Stacy Pruitt, Brittaney Eriks, Juana Ortiz, Tamberylna Garber, Christina Guzman. Nycole Caine, and Bianca Jimenez

Bianca Jimonez Second Row? Kristen Falkowski, Maria Vera, Nolan Dodgo, Briana Vezeau, Vanessa Marquez, Charles Shultz, Mary Fazekas, Wendy Rodriguez, and Nicole Soto

Third Row: Stpehanie Pepoff. Dakota Durbin, Anita Feist. Bathel St.Myers, Anta Peist.
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Briggs, Keri Ingram, Marc
Miodragovich, Courteny Cox.
Bryan Collins, Solayman Maso
Fourth Rows Andrea Corey. Nicole Halik, Jordan Greer. Nicole Malik, Jordan Greer, Lan Enriquez, Micheal Sickles, Robert Sappington, Aucthny Malesevic, Melissa Freel, Alberto Padro, and Violet Sluder











High School (left to right)

First Row! Fragers Sowila, Nicole Kught, Mary Fazekas, Nykole Caine, Zachury Woodard, Andrea Corey, Marylou Curvastes Second Row! Alex Sulesis. Samesth Maffer, Christian Gutman, Dereck Watte, Lindor Mondora, Kert Ingram, Amy Esparas, Stephanie Berge Third Row! Derrick Robb, Nothan Handley, Megan Tonoro, Rachel St Myere, Elissa Fran, Lauren Wandwer, Jack Soria, Dustin Alcow Paurth Row Kelesy Lengiev, Natalie Adale, Jaces Mathews, Kris Saleski, James Ottr. Cody Stower, Jassica Martir, Sate Miller Flotta Row! Jaine Freeman, Alyras Gilbert, Joe Dickeron, Charles Shultz, Sarah Hodge, Athley Neitwinger
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Junior High (left to right)

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Andrea Zepeda, Casey Lea, Rachel Luna Sceond Rowf Cuitlyn Acker, Michaela Bodo, Rachel Jones, Selena Gabello, Destiny Menning, Nallei
Berzal, Brett Body, Antonio Tamara, Jassica Rivera, Carlos Luna Tibrit Rowf Grants Bert, Jacob Whisenant, Nathar Jieses, Joseph Gregory,
Steven Shockley, Mylano Quinones, Tyler Davin, Brittany Goddy, Niko Lara Fourth Rowf Brianna Powers, Dakota Lambert, Robert Fazeka
Ali Abramon, Grinc Ghavez, Jordan Riley, Chris Hanna, Michael Rutt., Epifano Crus



Derrick Robb and Nathan Handley sit upon the stage playing their trumpets while Megan Tenorio and Rachel St. Myers eargerly wait for their cue



Destiny
Mensing and
Nallely Bernal
playing their
flute at the
Edison band
concert.



Francis Sowula and Nicole Knight spend hours at home practicing for their concerts.



The Junior High Edison band members are having a terrific time at the band concert



Stephanie Briggs has been in band since 6th grade.



The High School band members are onstage playing their heart out.



Robert Fazekas concentrates on his percussion.

First Rows Candice Waddell, Holly Bruckner, Courtney Fulton, Dominane Young, Carolyn Riley, Maria Soto, Lyndsay Slatton, and Michael Ziemkiewicz

Second Rows Terrianne Campos, Taylor Brown, Chevenne Hucthinson, Jelina Taylor, Christina Fitzpatrick, Jessica Perez, Mari Hecker, Hanah Mcdaniel, and Amanda Daniels

Third Row: Anegla Luick, Jayne Smith. Shelby Jorgeson, Vanessa Damron. Joanna Dwyer, Anothny Farley, Trisha Swider, Angel Figeroa, Rachel Abila, Robert Wells, Stephanie Briggs, Valarie Miller, and Ashley Illyes

First Rowa Christina Trinidad. Courtney Bocard, Brittany Reves. Ashley Berrios, Wendy Rodriguez. Christina Wilson, Amber Dwyer Second Rows Chelses Oldham. Priscilla Espinoza, Jessica Gutzmer, Juanita Walker, Jennifer Carten. Barbara Hooker, and Stephanie Herald

First Row: Stephanie Sable. Brittany Herald, Lisette Soto, Brittaney Eriks, and Nicole McGregor

Pacheco

Second Rows Lorna Hill, Barbara Hooker, Suzanna Jimenez, Ariana

Austin, Courtney Cox, Vanessa Damron, Sherry Kennedy, and Aurora Ruiz







First Row: Stephanie Sable, Barbara Hooker, Telicia Fitzpatrick, Jessica White, and Aaron Hammons Second Rows Amber Frain, Steven Dragos, Sherry Kennedy, Jack Hammons, Nicole Knight, and Derek Watts Third Row: Micheal Alvarez, Kevin





# Choir





















#### Peer Helpers

First Row? MaryLou Cervantes. Nicole Soto. Stacy Pruitt. Andrea Herrera, Kassie Kingery, Dorie Starkey. Amanda Monacy Second Row? Richard Mackenzie. Briana Vezeau, Gabriella Santos. Courtney Cox. Dakota Durbin, Keri Ingram. Shelby Evans. James Alger Third Row? Tyler Howell. Anthony Malesevic, Jordan Greer. Josh Hennings, Michael Sickles. Alyssa Gilbert. Nicole Halik



#### Office Assistants

First Rows Elene Chumburidze, Stephanie Sable, Jessica White, Christina Wilson, Zuleika Rivera, Beth Muhlbaier Second Rows Zakkary Helderman, Jennifer Carten, Ashley Macheck, Josh Hennings. Chelsea Rosco, Ashley Berrios. Selena Jemenez Third Rows Richard Mackenzie, Kyle Abramson, Cody Jarvis, Logan Miller, Jason Hisick, Kris Klimek



#### Assistants

Apsolation of Pirst Row? Natalie Avila, Carrie Veenstra, Ashley Neiswinger, Nicole Soto, Amanda Monacy. Tamberlynn Garber, Salena Aguilar, Jerrica Elizondo, Rocio Reyes, Megan Gross, Bianca Jemenez Second Row? Megan Tenorio, Milton Hope, Nolan Dodge, Kassie Kingery, Jessica Darkus, Britney Herald, Vanessa Marquez, Julie Cervantes, Christinia Guzman Third Row? Melissa Booth, Amber Frain, Alexis Serreno, Sherry Kennedy, Melissa Freel, Gabriella

Santos, Barbara Hooker, Mariah Hurley, Linsdey Watson, Arriana Cavalier

Fourth Rows Logan Miller, Andrea Corey, Tyler Teal, Hector Sierra, Jordan Greer, Justin Anton. Alyssa Gilbert, Suzie Miller, Josh Hennings

#### Jr High Gifted and Talented



First Row: Lyndsay Slatton, Jessica Rivera, Caitlin Acker, Hannah McDaniel Second Row: Rachel Luna, Cheyenne Hutcherson, Chris Szostek, Ali Abramson

High School Honor Society



First Row? Melissa Mora, Brittany Vaugha. Nicole Knight, John Trusty, James Alger, Dakota Durbin, Amanda Monacy, Frances Sowula

Second Rows MaryLou Cervantes, Nykole Caine. Nolan Dodge, Lindsey Watson, Suzie Miller, Jamie Krill, Kristin Falkowski, Salena Jiminez, Nathan Handley

Third Rows Mrs. French, Andrea Corey, Derrick Robb, Anthony Malesevic, Michael Sickles, Jordan Greer, Alyssa Gilbert, Amber Frain

Gifted / Honor Society

#### Yearbook

First Rows Dakota Durbin, Christina Reyes

Second Rows Melissa Mora, Kassie Kingery, Terianne Campos, Melissa Booth, Stacy Pruitt, Nicole Frizzell

Not Pictured: Violet Sluder and Salena Aguilar

Right: Mr. Pagan-Adviser and part-time hero



#### Newspaper

First Row: Yursely Garcia, Dorie Starkey, Barbara Hooker, Emily Gaughan, Jessica Martir

Second Row: Cassie Austin, Juanita Walker, Jelina Milsap, Alexius Serrano



#### TV News

First Row: Michael Sickles and Charles Shultz

Second Row: Anthony Malesevic, Jordan Greer, Derek Watts, Justin Anton



## **ESPAÑOL**



First Row: Alyssa Gilbert, Dakota Durbin, Mary Lou Cervantes, Jessica Martir, Isadora Mendoza, Frances Sownla

Second Row2 Jake Taylor, Brittany Vaughn, Christina Guzman, Nicole Soto, Christina Wilson Third Row2 Natalie Abila, Juana Ortiz, Courtney Cox, Kelsey Lemley, Solayman Maso, Stacy Pruitt, Ms Vanhattes

Fourth Rows Rachel St. Myers. Amy Esparza. Lindsey Watson, Michael Sickles, Nathan Handley. Keri Ingram

#### FRENCH



First Row? Andrea Corey, Jordan Greer, Suzie Miller, Tyline Handely, Justin Bowlin Second Row? Ashley Neiswinger, Selena Cabello, Stefani Luellman, Destiny Monsing, Tyler Dairs, Augustine Louez

Third Rows Jaime Freeman, Victoria Borowski, Wendy Rodriguez, Leanna Harrold, Ashley Abila, Nolan Dodge, Amanda Monacy, Andrea Herrera, Dorie Starkey, Barbara Hooker

Fourth Row: Josh Hennings, Sara Booth, Carrie Veenstra, Arin McColley, Holli Austin, Vanessa Marquez, Jamie Krill, Mara Mandich, Charles Shultz

Fifth Rows Azaz Mehmood, Jacinda Fitzpatrick, Lucio Martinez, Brianna Johnson, Lazar Novakovich, Zakkary Helderman, Nykole Caine, Mary Fazekas, Chelsea Rosco

### Student Council



First Rowt Stay Frautt. Amada Moacey. Sane Miller. Kasse Kingery, Micheel Sickles. Fraques Sowila, Juaga Orlit.
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Clark. Christopher Wall. Maria Vera Nykole Caine. Amy Espazza. Nicole Kuight, Lucio Martinez. Mary Fazekas. Taylor
Sykes Fourth Rowt Joe Dickerson, Nov Vera, Katie Satter, Keisey Emiley, Zakery Johnston, Rachel St. Myrs. Keri Jagran.
Courtney Cox. Charles. Shultz. Justin Bowlin. Fifth Rowt Daniel Bogaski. Alysia Gilbert. Alex Moyet. Authony Malesevic.
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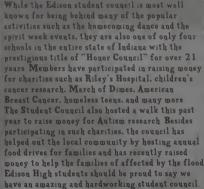
First Row? Carlos Luna, Leanua Herald Second Row? Missel Zepeda, Lindany Austra, Abhley Ablia, Diego Camarillo, Rachel Abila, Joe Gregory, Andrea Zepeda, Jessica Campbell Third Row? Valarie Miller. Cortney Fulton, Angelica Chave Jessica Rivera, Catlin Acker, Hannah McDaniel, Catherine Woolery, Fourth Row? Rachel Luna, Jonathan Corral, Mara Mandich, Ali Abramson, Joel Ecolante, Chris Szostek, Marianna Ramirez







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Exploring the World of Science



Back Row: Jessica Martir, Erika Hellman, Johnathon Trusty, Robert Sappington, Nathan Handley, Bryan Phelps, Amanda Herald Front Row: Tyline Handley, Mary Fazekas, Nykole Caine, Dakota Durbin, Nicole Knight, Felicia Koby Wheel Chair: Frances Sowula











# Tragic Torrent





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In the weeks following the flood multiple relief efforts were any merced. FEMA had set up various emergency offices all across 50 arts west Indiana. The effort to assist those devastated by the flood too not limited to the extent of the Federal Government's capabilities to the work were given at the expense of the city of Lake Station over the course of 2 weeks following the flood. Thomas Edison Jr. Sr. High School's student council even worked to raise funds to distribute to the multiple Edison students affected by the flood, eventually providing them with monetary donations as well as eare packages. Though the ominous waters brought on by the eatastrophe have since receded, the memory of a community coming together in the face of tragedy will remain forever imbedded in our minds.











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Left: Melissa Mora's tattoo is in memory of her cousin. Tierney. The dove symbolizes Tierney finding peace and the pink ribbon in it's beak is in honor of her fight against breast cancer. Tierney passed away from breast cancer in 2008.

Right: Nicole Soto's tattoo is in honor of her Grandma Sally. Nicole got the tattoo because her grandmother raised her and she passed away when she was 13.



# In Loving Memory...



Left\* Josh Hennings' tattoo is in honor of his younger brother. Jacob. It contains a picture of Jacob along with his favorite superhero. Spider—man. Josh is continuously adding to the tattoo and hopes to fill his entire back.

Right: Kris Klimek's tattoo is in memory of his Uncle Cliffie Cliffie passed away in 2004 after his drink was spiked in a bar. Kris grew up with Cliffie and he was a major role model in Kris's life.



To many people in older generations, tattoos have a negative connotation. They bring to mind lawless bikers and the days of World War II when concentration camp prisoners were involuntarily tattooed. However, younger generations now see tattoos as a form of expression.

For those who have cherished memories of loved ones, trying to keep them close is a very important part of life. Some do this by keeping photo albums or scrapbooks. Other people not only want to keep their memories close, but they also want to display them for everyone else to see. Not wanting to take the chance of losing them or misplaceing them, they have a piece of their own personal history with them forever.























#### 14th Annual Edison

#### Art Show







#### Winners!

Scholarship: Suzanae Miller & Solayman Maso
Best of Show? Teriane Campos
Best High School Artwork? Brianna Johnson
Best Jr High School Artwork? Ricardo Mendoza
Creativity Award? Suzanae Miller & Marc Miodragorn;
Cover Desiga Winner & 2ad place; Daniel Contreraz
3rd place Cover Desiga Winners (Tie)? Solayman Maso
and Terianne Campos

People's Choice Awards Daniel Contreraz

















# Halloween Dance



Right: Andrea Zepeda. Tonya Blair, and Ashley Abila

Left: Robert Fazekas poses for the camera.

Belows Jessica Campbell, Kaylyn Shewmaker, Cassie Shewmaker, Angela Aguilar, and Taylor Brown enjoy their time at the dance.







Right: The winners of the Halloween dance — Joe Maynard as the funniest; Leanne Harrold as the prettiest; Gracie Burt (cereal killer) as most original; Kaitlynn Riley and Kathryn Dugger as scariest.



102 Dance

# Turkey Traffic Jam



Wear your colors Brown Single Yellow Maybe Orange Taken

Lefts Onjoli Cabell and Angela Aguilar are having a wonderful time.







Center: The girls dancing it up at the turkey jam dance while the boys nervously hover around the the outside of the dance area.

Left: Ayisha Triplett, Dominique Young, Anglee Luick are dancing the night away.









January Thaw

Above: Ashley Abila, Tonya Blair, and Andrea Zepeda pose for a picture. Below: The boys stand around waiting for the right song to dance to.





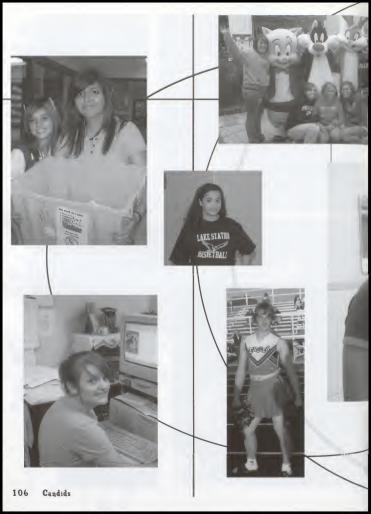
\* Above: Trisha Swider, Princess Joanna Dwyer, Ciarra Arteaga, Linsday Austin, Nathaniel Terry, Prince Nathan Flores, Robert Fazekas, and Matthew Gedzius

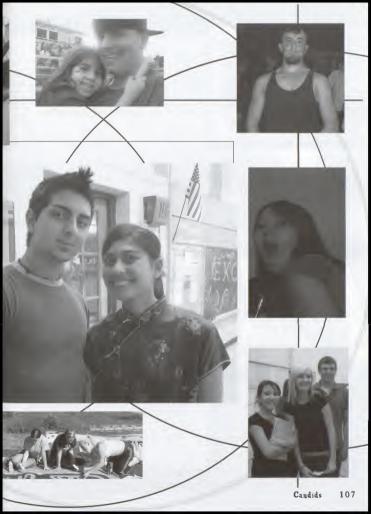
Below: Andrea Zepeda, Cassie Shewmaker, Queen Kaylyn Shewmaker, Angela Aguilar, King Chris Szostek, and John Bastin





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### Donkey Ball!

Edison students played against Lake Station policemen, fire fighters and the mayor!

Far upper rights Donkey ball players not knowing what is in store for them

Far lower rights Meagan Tenorio and Noe Vera helped guide children during free rides at half-time













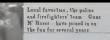




Bottom left: Hold on. Melissa!















Bottom: Aaron Hammons and Kris Klimek giving a ride to a child from the



Top left: Our very own foreign exchange student. Yigit Ari showing off his riding skills

Right2 Even the adults don't know who is really the boss!

Left After all the fun. laughter and donkeys, there was only one thing left to do clean up!



Donkey Ball

# Cinderella













The Annual Junior High Awards Program was held on Tuesday, May 26, 2009, with the following students being recognized:

MIDWEST TALENT SEARCH - Benjamin Mata

7TH GRADE SCIENCE ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE - Laura Bianchi, Robert Fazekas, Paige Gilk, Hannah McDaniel, Gracie Burt, Joe Gregory, Valarie Miller, Jacob Whisenant and Courtney Fulton

8TH GRADE SCIENCE - Outstanding - Arlet Flores, Ben Mata, Dallas Cole, Chris Szostek, Leanne Harrold and Tonya Blair Top students - Mara Mandich

WORLD CULTURE STRAIGHT A's - Gracie Burt, Jacob Whisenant and Kailey Archer

7TH GRADE ENGLISH AWARDS - Hannah McDaniel, Gracie Burt (2 awards), Robert Fazekas, Carlos Luna and Caitlin Acker (2 awards)

PERFECT ATTENDANCE - Valerie Delgado and Hannah McDaniel

HONOR ROLL - Rachel Abila. Lindsay Austin. Nallely Bergal, Laura Bianchi, Diego Camarillo, Valorie Delgado, Joanna Dwyer, Joel Escalante, Nathan Flores, Deidra Gallardo, Brittany Goddy, Steffani Luellman, Carlos Lua, Jasmin Mancilla, Joremy Nazimek, Cecilia Palomo, Marianna Ramirez, Jessica Rivera, Nathaniel Terry, Vincen Velez, Ashley Abila, Dallas Cole, Monserrath Contreras, Joseph Donnelly, Casey Lea, Rachel Luna, Lyndsay Slatton and Jose Tovar

PRINCIPAL'S HONOR ROLL - Caitlin Acker. Michaela Bodo, Gracie Burt. Courtup Fulton, Paige Gilk, Joseph Gregory, Cheyenne Hutchison, Shelby Jorgensen. Hannah McDaniel, Valarie Miller, Trisha Swider. Britaey Tharp, Jacob Whisenant. Tatyana Zambrana. Tonya Blair. Leanne Harrold, Mara Mandich and Chrispher Szostek

ART - 8th grade Outstanding Achievement - Casey Lea, Christopher Szostek, Korey Tibbs, Tonya Blair, Cireliz Vazquez, Kailey Archer, Monserrath Contreras and Ashley Illyes

ART SHOW Best Junior High Artwork - Ricardo Mendez

STUDENT COUNCIL - Ashley Abila, Alexandria Abramson. Tonya Blair, Jessica Campbell, Leanne Harrold. Rachel Luna, Mara Mandich, Chris Szostek, Candice Waddell, Philip Warren, Andrea Zepeda, Rachel Abila, Caitlin Acker, Lindsay Austin, Laura Bianchi, Michaela Bodo, Gracie Burt, Diego Camarillo, Angelica Chavez, Jonathan Corral, Joel Escalante, Courtney Fulton, Brittany Godby, Joseph Gregory, Cheyenne Hutchison, Carlos Luna, Jazmin Mancilla, Hannah McDaniel, Valarie Miller, Marianna Ramirez, Jessica Rivera, April Strycker, Meagen Taylor and Misael Zepeda

HONOR SOCIETY — Caitlin Acker, Gracie Burt, Courtney Fulton, Valerie Delgado, Cheyenne Hutchison, Hannah McDaniel, Valerie Miller, Laura Bianchi, Michaela Bodo, Paige Gilk, Joseph Gregory, Joel Escalante, Nathan Flores, Brittany Godby, Steffani Luellman, Jazmin Mancilla, Marianna Ramirez, Jessica Rivera, Trisha Swider, Tonya Blair, Mosserrath Contreras, Joe Donnelly, Mara Mandich, Chris Szostek and Rachel Luna

OUTSTANDING 8TH GRADE STUDENTS - Chris Szostek and Tonya Blair

AMERICAN LEGION AWARD - Chris Szostek and Ashley Abila

PRESIDENT'S AWARD FOR EDUCATIONAL ACHIEVEMENT - Dallas Cole. Casey Lea and Rachel Luna

PRESIDENT'S AWARD FOR EDUCATIONAL EXCELLENCE - Tonya Blair, Leanne Harrold and Christopher Szostek

The Annual Senior Award Night Program was held on Tuesday. May 26, 2009, with the following students being recognized:

VALEDICTORIAN AWARD
Michael Sickles

SALUTATORIAN AWARD Andrea Corey

HOOSIER SCHOLARS
Michael Sickles and James Alger

#### SCHOLARSHIPS

Hobart Kiwanis Scholarship - Suzanne Miller

Legacy Foundation Scholarship - Michael Siekles

Purdue University Calumet Special Merit Scholarship - James Alger

Purdue University Calument Best & Brightest Scholarship - James Alger

Bethel College Presidential Scholarship - Nolan Dodge

IUN Chancellor's Merit Scholarship - Jamie Krill

Indiana University Bloomington Grants - Melissa Mora

University of St. Francis Provost's & Arts Scholarship - Suzanne Miller

Bradley University & Neighbor State Scholarship - Suzanne Miller

Concordia University Pillars Scholarship - Suzanne Miller

Columbia College Presidential Scholarship - Suzanne Miller

French Club Scholarships - Andrea Corey, Nolan Dodge, Jordan Greer, Andrea Herrera, Kassandra Kingery, Jamie Krill, Suzanne Miller, Amanda Monacy and Dorie Starkey

Spanish Club Scholarships - Mary Lou Cervantes and Natalie Llerena

Art Scholarships - Suzanne Miller and Solayman Maso

21st Century Scholars - Andrea Corey, Nolan Dodge, Alyssa Gilbert, Andrea Herrera, Barbara Hooker, Marc Miodragovich, Beth Muhlbaier and Briana Vezeau

Dollars for Scholars - James Alger, Mary Lou Cervantes, Andrea Corey, Nolan Dodge, Alyssa Gilbert, Jordan Greer, Andrea Herrera, Kassandra Kingery, Jamie Krill, Suzanne Miller, Melissa Mora, Dorie Starkey and Kayla Stewart

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### The Annual Award Day Program was held on Tuesday, May 26, 2009, for the 9th - 12th graders with the following students being recognized:

HONOR ROLL AWARDS were presented to Justin Bowlin, Ryan Clark, Amber Dwyer, Sabrina Rebolledo, Roberto Rodriguez, Maria Verduzco, Courley Cox, Ann Ebrhart, Mariah Hurley, Suzanna Jimenez, Isadora Mendoza, Karen Owens, Simon Preatoski, Staey Pruitt, Dallas Ramirez, Weddy Rodriguez, Scott Soleski, Rachel St Myers, Tristan Swider, Jake Taylor, John Warren, Holli Austin, Joshua Donnelly, Dakota Durbin, Kirsten Falkowski, Tamberlyan Garber, William Grasham, Matthew Hedger, Annie Lachowicz, Charles Shultz, Christina Trinidad, Lindesy Watson, Juliana Cervantes, MaryLou Cervantes, Shelby Evans, Anita Feist, Amber Frair, Jordan Greer, Barbara Hooker, Jacob Hoover, Kasandra Kingery, Amanda Monacy, Beth Muhlbaier, Randall Music, Alberto Padro, Joe Rixie, Daniel Reed, Nicole Soto, Lessica Stephens, Alexander Suleski, and Brigan Vezen

PRINCIPAL'S HONOR ROLL Kovin Albrecht, Sara Booth, David Fisher, Kelsey Lembey, Azaz Mehmood, Lazar Novakovich, Katelya Satter, Christopher Swartzell, Natalie Abila, Ariana Cavalier, Amy Esparza, Christina Guzman, Tujine Handley, Amanda Harrold, Erika Hellman, Sarah Hodge, Keri Ingram, Juano Ortiz, Megan Tenorio, Noe Vera, Nykole Caine, Chelisea Dodge, Nicole Halik, Nathan Handley, Tyler Howell, Selena Jimenz, Nicole Kuight, Anthony Malesevic, Bynap Phelps, Derrick Robb, Frances Sowula, Johnathon Trusty, Brittany Vaugha, Maris Vera, James Alger, Yigit Ari, Ashloy Berrior, Terianne Campos, Andrea Corey, Nolan Dodge, Alyssa Gilbert, Jamie Krill, Solayman Maso, Suzanne Miller, Malizsa Morz, Michael Sickles, Kavi Stewart and Victor Zeneda

PERFECT ATTENDANCE AWARDS - Orlando Perez and Keri Ingram

MAIN OFFICE ASSISTANT CERTIFICATES - Dallas Ramirez, Dana Smith, Richard MacKenzie, John Warren, Yigit Ari, Christina Wilson, Zack Helderman, Stephanie Sable, Chelisea Rosco, Beth Muhlbaier, Daniel Reed, Ashley Berrios, Ellene Chupwurtze, Jengrifer Carten, Jessica White, Cody Jarvis, Kris Klimek, Jason Hisick

GUIDANCE ASSISTANT CERTIFICATES - Zuleika Dones Rivera, Solayman Maso, Edwin Rosario and Lisa Wright

TEACHER ASSISTANTS - Nolau Dodge, Andrea Corey, Chelssa Dodge, Suzie Miller, Meagen Gross, Kassie Kingery, Arianaa Cavaller, Maria Rios, Missy Booth, Juliana Cervates, Robert Heath, Brittany Herald, Gabby Santos, Mariah Hurley, Melissa Freel, Daniel Contreraz, Lisa Wright, Natalie Abila, Bianca Jimenez

FRENCH CLUB OFFICERS - Suzie Miller - President, Jordan Greer - Vice President, Andrea Corey - Secretary, Justin Bowlin - Treasurer, Tyline Handley - Publicity

FRENCH CLUB AWARDS - Noe Vera, Katie Satter, Sara Booth, Lazar Novakovich, Tyline Handley and Nykole Cain

SPANISH CLUB OFFICERS - Marylou Cervantes, Dakota Durbin, Jessica Martir, Alyssa Gilbert, Natalie Llerena, and Nathan Handley

DANCE TEAM - Veronica Sanchez, Juana Ortiz. Noe Vera, Laura Cisneros, Kirsten Falkowski, Jerrica Elizondo and MaryLou Cervantes

PEER HELPER AWARDS were given to James Alger. MaryLou Cervantes. Courtacy Cox. Dakota Durbin, Shelby Evana. Alyssa Gilbert, Jordan Greer. Nicole Halik, Joshua Hennings, Andrea Herrera. Tyler Howell, Keri lagram, Jessie King, Kassie Kingery, Ashley Machek, Richard MacKenzie. Anthony Malesevic. Mare Miedragovich, Amanda Monacy. Stacy Prutt. Derrick Robb, Gabriela Santos, Gary Shewmaker. Michael Sickles. Nicole Soto. Dorie Starkey, Angelina Tinoco and Brinan Vezaua.

FRESHMAN MENTORS - Nykole Cane, Juliana Cervantes, Dakota Durbia, Mary Fazekas, Nathau Handley, Tyler Howell, Selena Jimenez, Derrick Robb, Chelsea Rosco, Gary Shewmaker, Michael Sickles, Frances Sowula, Angelina Tinoco and Brittany Vangha

ART SHOW - Scholarship winners - Suzanne Miller and Solayman Maso

ART SHOW WINNERS - Amada Harrold, Anita Fiest, Ashley Berrios, Brianna Johnson, Chelsea Dodge, Christian Hernandez, Daniel Contreraz (3 awards), Elone Chumburidze (2 awards), Erika Hellman, Johnsthan Trusty, Katelyn Satter (2 awards), Mare Miodragovich, Maria Navarro (2 awards), Maria Verduzco, Mariah Hurley (2 awards), Noe Vera (2 awards), Ricardo Mendoza, Solayman Maso (3 awards), Suzanne Miller, Terianne Campos (3 awards) and Victor Zepeda (4 awards)

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PROJECT EXCEL SCHOLARSHIP - Andrea Herrera, Brianna Johnson, Daniel Reed, Heather Miller, Jose Navarro, Andy Music, Logan Miller, Miguel Gutierrez, Suzanne Miller, and Victor Zepeda

MATH – Excellence in Geometry – Kevin Albrecht. Noe Vera, Amanda Harrold, Lazar Novakovich, John Warren, Sara Both, Samuel Ceja, Francisco Gutierrez and Katelyn Satter. Excellence in AP Calculus – Michael Sickles

LCADEMIC SUPER BOWL - Nykole Caine, Andrea Corey, Dakota Durbin, Jordan Greer, Nathan Handley, Arin McColley, Michael Sickles, Frances Sowula, Dorie Starkey and Carrie Veenstra

SPELLBOWL - Nykole Caia, Andrea Corey, Chelsea Dodge, Nolan Dodge, Nathan Handley, Dakota Durbin, Tyline Handley, Nicole Knight, John Kolep, Arin McColley, Ashley Neiswinger, Dorie Starkey, Carrie Vecastra

STDENT COUNCIL AWARDS were presented to - Student Council Officers - President - Mike Sickles Vicefresident - Frances Sowula. Treasurer - Megan Tenorio, Attendance Secretary - Amanda Monacy Recording Secretary
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Nicole Kuight Class of 2011 Historian - Jessica Martir Class of 2012 Historian - Kelesy Lemley Service Awards
Azaz Mehmood, Anthony Malesevic, Taylor Sykes, Charles Shultz, Lucio Martinez, Alex Suleski, Justin Bowlin, Lazar
Novakovich, Christopher Wall, Maria Vera, Alex Moyet, Nicole Frizzell, Joseph Dickerson, Isadora Mendoza, Ryan
Clark, Cheless Dodge, Jessica Parkis, Lisa Wright, Ashley Machek, Ashley Neiswinger, Katie Satter, Kelesy Lemley,
id Alyssa Gilbert Outstanding Service - Natalie Llerana, Nicole Keight, Kassie Kingery, Amanda Monacy, Melissa
Mora, Daniel Bogaski, Doris Starkey, Nykole Cain, Derrick Robb, Mike Sickles, Christina Guzman, Zakery Johnston,
Isan Ortiz, Nathan Handley, Tyler Howell, Suzie Miller, Courtney Cox, Amy Exparza and Keri Igama Excellent
Service - Natalia Abila, Jessica Martir, Bianca Jimenez, Megan Tenorio, Stacy Pruitt, Rachel St. Myers, Frances
Swula, Nov Cera, Mary Fazekas

SCIENCE - Chemistry - Natalie Abila. Amy Esparza. Tyline Handley. Sarah Hodge. Simon Prentoski, Jake Taylor, Keri igram. Amanda Harrold, Christine Guzman. Ann Ehrhart. Antta Feist, Erika Hellman. Tristan Swider and Noe Vera IP Chemistry - Nathan Handley and Michael Sickles Advanced Environmental Science - Nolan Dodge, Jordan Greer, Michael Sickles and Maria Vera

SCIENCE OLYMPIAD - Robert Sappington, Nykole Caine, Dakota Durbin, Mary Fazekas, Nathan Handley, Nicole Kiight, Bryan Phelps, Frances Sowula, John Trusty, Tyline Handley, Amanda Harrold, Erika Hellman and Felicia Koby

MUSCH & LOMB HONORARY SCIENCE AWARD - Johnathon Trusty

GEORGE EASTMAN YOUNG LEADERS AWARD - Nykole Cain

RESIDENT'S EDUCATION AWARD FOR ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE - James Alger, Andrea Corey, Nolan Dodge, llyssa Gilbert, Jamie Krill, Suzanne Miller, Melissa Mora and Michael Sickles

RESIDENT'S AWARD FOR EDUCATIONAL ACHIEVEMENT - MaryLou Cervantes, Amber Frain, Jordan Greer, wanda Monacy, Nicole Soto, Zachary Woodard

MERICAN LEGION AWARDS - Michael Sickles and Suzie Miller

CTIVITES AWARD - Jordan Greer and Mary Lou Cervantes

HOOSIER SCHOLAR AWARDS - Michael Sickles and James Alger

HOBART KIWANIS SCHOLARHIP - Suzanne Miller

RENCH CLUB SCHOLARSHIPS - Andrea Corey, Nolan Dodge, Jordan Greer, Andrea Herrera, Kassandra Kingery, lane Krill, Suzanne Miller, Amanda Monacy and Dorie Starkey

PANISH CLUB SCHOLARSHIPS - Mary Lou Cervantes and Natalie Llerena

EGACY FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS - Michael Sickles

NITED STATES ARMY RESERVE AWARD FOR ACADEMIC AND ATHLETIC EXCELLENCE - Nolan Dodge of Suzanne Miller

MITED STATES MARINE CORPS SCHOLASTICS EXCELLENCE AWARDS - Jordan Greer and Andrea Corey

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## 2008 - 2009 Edisonian Yearbook Staff



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Yearbook would like to apologize to Shelby Evans for accidently quitting her from the staff credits in the last yearbook. Shelby was an amazing asset and a crazy member of the staff who loves making everyone laugh! Sorry Shelby!

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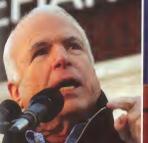
## year in review

#### ELECTING CHANGE

Using the campaign slogan, "Change we can believe in," Democrat Barack Obama won the 2008 election to In Derindrate barack oberhal wor the 2006 election become the 44th president of the United States. Oberna, 47, is the first African-American to lead the nation. After his election, Obarna quickly began selecting his cabinet, including asking New York Sen. Hillary Clinton, who he defeated to win the Democratic nomination, to be



ning style changed with Obama's use of the internet. Obama had about four million "friends" on Facebook and had about 10 million email addresses. He used texting to announce his vice presidential pick – Sen. Joe Biden of Detaware.





#### MAVERICK RIDES OFF ◀ To win the election, Obama, a Democrat, beat Sen, John McCain,

a Republican from Arizona. McCain's running mate was Alaska Gov. Sarah Palin, the first woman to run as a Republican vice presidential candidate.

#### LIVE FROM NEW YORK... <

Nobody took advantage of the election season more than the sketch comedy show Saturday Night Live, which brought back former cast member Tina Fev due to her resemblance to VP nominee Sarah Palin and rode Fey's impersonation to its highest ratings in years.

#### HISTORIC ELECTION >

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Sinton, the former first lags, and in a person or in second the fronting in of her party. The highly obriges i campaign increase, the other selfdemocrat candidates. The Republican field was even lyigger, with Miscoming from behind to best eight others to win his party's nomination.

#### DRAWING A CROWD

Party nomination acceptance speech was held at Invesco Stadium, about wo miles from the convention center in Deriver, to enable more than 70,000 seeple to attend On election night, Obama held a victory rally in Gran Park, attended by 225,000 people.





#### BEEN THERE, DONE THAT

Jenna and Barbara Bush, the daughters and granddaughters of President George H.W. Bush and President George H. Bush, wrote a letter to Malia and Sasha Obarna that included this advice:

- Get hugs from Ramsey, smiles from "Smiley" and talk football with Buddy, three of the White House ushers.
- Slide down the solarium banister.
- Have swimming parties.
- Get comfort from your pets.



Washington, D.C. was packed (III. inore than two III. incore the historic mauguration of the nation's first African-American Cool weather and the need to hindled together. He cross-solar washed took the path of office with his hand on the B ble used (III.)







the general excitors, almost 1° in amounts were cast, with about 31.7 filter voting early for the 1° min in 1° also. However, as a percentage of these turnout was about 61° in 2° also were record of 67° in 1960. Long lines 1 vote, either early or in Nov. 1, were or new 1° also orderly the voting and 1° also o

#### SEEKING VOTES

paign that in pursuit of votes. Obama got winded playing baskethall with the University of North Carolina's team. Mike Huckabee, a Republican candidate, played bass in his rock band Capitol Offense and even took a turn trying to rope a fake steer at the Fort Worth Stockyards.

#### POLITICIANS BUSTED >

illinos Gov. Rod Bilagojevoh faced federal corruptique charges for allegedly trying its sell or trade Barack Obama's illinois senate seat. U.S. Sen. Ted Stevens of Alaska was convicted of trying to conceal home renovations and other grits from an oil industry contractor. And Detroit Mayol, Kwame Kilpatrick pled guilty to obstruction of justice and





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WHO ARE YOU? A
The fight against insurgents continued in Iraq and Afghanistan. While \*\*Cence decreased in Iraq and Afghanistan. While \*\*Cence decreased in Iraq. Defense Secretary Robert Gates revealed plans to send more LLS. Impos to Afghanistan.

homecomings. Sometimes, servicemen returned to meet new family members.



#### GREENING OF AMERICA <

Going green affected several expects of dely life. Recussive shopping begs became a fashion statement. Buying locally produced food seved on gasoline and meant freeher trates. And at home, more people began buying compact fluorescent light bubbs. (OFL) as incardeount bubs will be phased out in a few years. CFLs save energy and add a new shape to lighting fixtures.



Make if 1 W0 For his / College football national championship in the a years, while it / defeated Oktahoma in the BCS title game, 24-14. However, 1 championship did not come without debate. Several other trains including Utah, Texas and USC – continued to question why there

#### GAS UP, GAS DOWN 1

After a record high of \$4.11 per gallon on July 17, gasoline prices were down 60% to a five-year low of \$1.63 during the last week of December, according to the American Automobile Association. Prices began rising again in early 2009. Despite the December of the Prices of the P











#### NAME OF THE OWNER, WHEN

The comeback of actor Robert Downey Jr. from a senous drug problem became complete this year when he landed the lead role in the hit movie Iron Man. Downey followed it up with another orbically praised role in the compant. Training: Thursday.

#### A MORE URGENT NEED A

Rising oil prices and continued climate changes made the search for alternative, renewable sources of energy a more prevalent topic of discussion. Solutions like wind farms, using large turbines, became more common.

#### WHO CAN YOU TRUST? A

investors ranging from small charities to major international banks appeared to have lost about \$50 million in a fraudulent investment allegedly devised by a former chairman of the Nasdaq Stock Market. Bernard Madoff, 70, was charged with securities fraud in what might be one of the biggest fraud cases ever.



GAMES TO REMEMBER Y >>
Amenican swimmer Michael Phelps made history or the Summer
Olympics in Beijing, China, by becoming the first athlete ever to while
eight gold medals at one Olympics. During his breathtaking week in
the pool, seven of Phelps' eight victories were new world records.





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	2 – China
	3 - Russia
	4 - Great Britain
- Add (1)	5 – Australia

2008 OLYMPICS MEDAL COUNT					
	TOTAL	GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE	
1 - United States	110	36	38	36	
2 - China	100	51	21	28	
3 - Russia	72	23		28	
4 - Great Britain	47	19	13	15	
5 – Australia	46			17	



#### PEANUT WITHDRAWAL 4

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#### ME FOR A SWITCH Y

Covernments around the wice. Insiding the United States, continued the U.S., an original February 2009 deadline was pushed back to June when Congress deemed that millions of people weren't early. The switch to digital was being done to allow for more ad anced services, like high d. P. on TV. aught for they candid spectrum benofities.







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#### ONTAMINATED FORMULA KILLS ◀

r China, several babies died and more than 12,000 were hospitalized after drividing taby formula contaminated with melamne. Melamine also was found in chocolate and other products exported from China to other countries, including the United sites. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration began limiting imports of Chinese risky products until they were free or melamine.

#### DNA SELF TEST Y

Over-the-counter home DNA tests could now be found at the local drugstore. Kits and results could be purchased for as little as \$200, and all they required was a swab or salva. However debates raged on the accuracy of the tests, as well as the ethical concerns.

#### GREEN MACHINE Y

The Boston Celtics re-emerged as the domnant team in basketball when they defeated met.,A. akers to win the 2008 NBA title. Then the Celtics picked up where they left off by beginning the new season winning 27 of







#### NO JOKE A

Anchored by the haunting, tragic trial performance of the late Health Ledger as the Joker, Battann sequel The Dark Kinght drew rave reviews and shattered box office records. Earning more than \$500 million, The Dark Kinght became one of the most commercially successful American movies ever made.

#### ROCKETS AND RETALIATION ◀

Israel declared war with Hamas, the Islamic militant group that rules Gaza, in an effort to stop continued nocket attacks from Gaza into southern Israel. Israel idficials said they were targeting militants in its air and ground assault of Gaza, while Hamas said it would continue to defend its people against Israel aggression. The Israel idficials justed 22 days.





#### IPIC WIN ◄

cespite playing on what was later found to be a surn knee ligament and a stress fracture in his left eg. Tiger Woods played through the pain and won sithird U.S. Open title, defeating Rocco Mediate a playoff, Afferwards, surgery on the leg forced woods to miss the remainder of the season, the sets attended absence of his programer.

#### CREATIVE CLASSROOM FUNDRAISING ◀

Needing money to print tests, a California calculus reacher began selling also on his quizzes, tests and exams. Tom Farber of Rancho Bernardo High School solid ad space on the bottom of the first page to parents and businesses. Parents and students enjoyed the ads. but Farber sad he did not plan on usenable fund-cashing method commandeth.





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#### SULLY SAVES THE DAY A

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#### HOENIX LANDING

accessful landing on Mars. Phoenix conducted more than five months of experiments before losing contact, more than expected, and discovered the presence of ice on the red planet.

#### STILL ON TOP 4

Despite ratings being down slightly, American Idol was still the most watched allow on TV, averaging more than 27 million viewers a week. David Cook was chosen the winner of the 7th season, and changes were made for the show's tith season when producer Kara DioGuardi was added as a fourth judge.



BOX OFFICE NUMBERS	
The Dark Knight	\$530 million
Iron Man	\$318 million
Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull	\$317 million
Hancock	\$227 million
WALL-E	\$223 million

Source: boxofficerepart.com

ANOTHER TROUBLING ADMISSION – New York vankes third basen – New Took vankes third basen – Alex Rodriguez, a 12-time All Still was the confirmed published report indicating he had used performance enhancing drugs during the 2001er seasons. Rodriguez sadmission came after news surfaced that had failed enfoldental drug test in 2003. Despit his apploy, Rodriguez's legacy wimmediately debated.

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# DRIVER DISTRACTION A Investigators said a Los Angeles Minimus (a) plop prior to a crash that killed 25 people a injured 130 in September It was not mine-as known whether the engineer was texting at the in of the crash, however, investigators said the briwere not applied before the cipars.

#### MILLIONS GO SLUMMING >

Slumdog Millionaire, the story of an inner-citeen from India who strikes it rich on a poputy Ty gameshow, won Best Picture at the Osca-The rest of the nominees included Milk, Th. Reader, Frost/Nixon and The Curious Case of Benjamin Button.



ARD TO STOP 48 >
mmile Johnson became just the second driver L
JASCAR history to win three consecutive seaso
hampionships, when he put together a 2008 the
actual server race wins and five runner-up finishes



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SOME JUICY GOSSIP 4
Gossip Girl, the TV drama based on the series at books of the same name, continued to get strong ratings from the teen crowd. There were year numors that the show, centered on the lives of socialite New York City teens, could least to reheaf.

#### UICE GOES TO JAIL ◀

his conviction in the robbery of sports menu-tabilia from dealers in a Las Vegas hotel room in 2007. The trial garnered fewer headlines han his 1995 trial, in which he was acquitted withe murders of his ex-wife, Nicole Brown surpson, and Ron Goldman.

#### FAR-REACHING STORM >

Hurricane like devastated Galveston, Texas, whith this Sept. 13, and caused damage and powoutages in at least 10 states from Texas to Oh. At least 34 people were still missing at the end Janaury. Also in the wake of the storm the so end US, experienced grave gasoline shortages.

#### NOT QUITE SASQUATCH Y

Two Georga men lick Dye and Matthew ton, fooled much of the count. When they to have found the infamous Bigloof in the Georga hits. The two even we it is area a deceased body, fooling see " ws collecting reward money. Very the found to be a costume a thin story.







#### PARENTS ARANDON CHILDREN

ebraska's legislature revised its Sale Haven Law after parents abandons (155 cflutten, one of them teens. All states have Sale Haven laws regarding infants but Nebraska's riginal law allowed parents to drop children as old as 18 without fear of prosecution. Some arents came from other states, including Teri Martin of Michige who vaced parenta iminiation infaits in Michigan.

#### NOBODY BETTER THAN ANNIKA ►

Annika Sorenstam announced her retirement from competitive got and er career, the winningest female gotter of all time with 90 career tourname. If competitive got returns the sort files are proposed to the sort files and the sort files are proposed to the sort files are proposed





#### FINDING AN AUDIENCE

r t aght year, critically acclaimed sitcom 30 Rock won usst g aght years at the Emmy Awards and began to slowly on a sibly getting a boost from the fame star Tina Fey adential election.

#### ONE LAST PITCH Y

After 85 years, the original Yankee Stadium closed its doors to make way for the new stadium being built for the New York Yankees. The mal game was played in the "House That Ruth Built" on Sept. 21, 2008, against the Baltimore Orioles, with the Yankees winning 7-3.

#### BETBACK FOR THE LHC Y

Loopean scientists build the Large Hadron Collider in Switzerland, glant particle accelerator designed to study advanced physics and solicity and science's mysteries. Before the LHC's Isunch, consition, theorists speculated that the machine's power would create disaster such as a black hole. While that did not happen, the LHC disaster such as black hole. While that did not happen, the LHC disaster as malfunction shortly after becoming operational, which fine a blue prescribe were.





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#### THEY'RE OUT THERE ◀ Astronomers have known for several years

that exoplanets, or planets outside of our solar system, existed. But it was not until this year that a group of astronomers from the U.S. and Canada were able to produce photographs of two of these planets in actual visible light.

#### A BOLD EXPERIMENT <

Kanye West, the most commercially successful rap star of the moment, released an experimental pop abum titled 808s and Hearthreak. West surprised his fans and critics alike by choosing to sing, rather than rap, on most of the songs. The neavy use of drum machines and an audio processor to after West's voice brought mixed reviews, but earned the star praise for innovation.

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#### DIDATING ELOUDISMES

A medinatorial task team led by the U.S. Nary viac crading down or jurates off a coast of Somala. In February, the U.S. Nary made its first amests of prates of the of the team. Pracy has become big business and a big nusancie in the Gulf of Adin 2008, prates attacked almost 100 vessels, hijacked at least 40 and received estimated \$150 million in ransoms.

#### LIVING THE GOOD LIFE

British alternative rock band Coldplay released the album they spen previous two years working on Viva la Vida or Death and All His Friands a became one of the best selling records of the year. The quartet also land.







Half of primary care doctors said they would change careers because of paperwork in their practice. A shortage of family doctors was predicted by 2025.

About 2.5 million grandparents act as parents to their grandchildren. Parents who moved in with their adult children increased 67% between 2000 and 2007, mostly for financial reasons, not age.

About 25% of American adults are obese, Obesity rates for children remained the same after a 25-year increase. About 32% of children were overweight, 16% obese and 11% very obese.







#### B SHUFFLE A

It was an NFL regular season where big name, veteran quantibig headlines. Green Bay's Brett Fawe decided to end his recoaxed the team not rading him to the New York, Jets. At-Warner had his finest season in years and led the landrage Bowl. Meanwhile, New England's Tom Brady in seeseason when he was knocked out in week one with a lee-

#### RAMPALE IN INDIA

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country artist of the year when her second albur Fearless, joined with her self-titled debut record to the five million in sales and the title that at the American elso Awards.

#### CARRY IT ALL 4

Big purses were one of the tag fashion statements of the year. Neutral or multi-colored, girls and women could carry almost anything help needed with them. Scanes and boots remained must-have accessories. For boys, the slightly spiky jook was being worn in short to medium hair. In college, showing up to class in sweats was cool.

#### IS IT SAFE? <

Governments struggled it great handle on the potential dangers of Bisphenol A, o BPA, an organic compound present in some plastics used to make products such as baby bottles. Wherever studies showed that exposure to BPA had linke to many diseases. Canada indicate the second of the provided in the second of th



#### A LONG TIME COMING >

The Philadelphia Phillies won just the second world title in their 125-year history by defeating the Tampa Bar, Bays in the World Senes. By winning a rain-scaked Game 5 that was delayed for two days by storms, the Phillies ended Tampa's hopes of going from the worst record in baseball to the champoniship.

#### THIRD TIME'S A CHARM I

Carter III, was one of the best selfor records of the year, go g platinum five times. It also ear ed I im eigh Grammy nomin-to , than an











#### IT'S ON HULU ◀ When NBC and News Corp. launched their streaming video

website Hulu.com with almost no content, there were skeptics everywhere. By the end of the year, once full episodes of TV shows from a variety of channels was up on the site for free, Hulu.com had become one of the most popular destinations on the interest and a rival to YouTube.

#### NO MORE BRATZ

The makers of Bratz dolls were ordered to stop making their after Mattel Inc., makers of Barbie dolls, won a four-yeal legal dispute. MGA Entertainment, which manufactures Bratz planned to appeal the decision. The federal court order cited jun fundings that designer Carter Bryant developed the Bratz do concept while working for Mattel.

#### VAMPIRE TALES ◀

Twilight the first novel in the popular "Twil ght" senes abo a teenage girl who falls in love with a fellow high schutudent who is a vampire, was made into a ovie that at tuge box office numbers.





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